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## In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A communication system comprising:

a server device comprising a database and client software, said database comprising information and said client software comprising instructions for performing a <u>data</u> synchronization compliant with said server; and

a first client device for performing data processing functions, said first client device for establishing a communication link with said server, for receiving a copy of said client software from said server in response to said communication link being established, and for using the copy of said client software to perform [[a]] the data synchronization with said server to obtain a portion of said information, wherein:

as a result of performing the data synchronization, the portion of the information on the first client device and in the database of the server are up-to-date.

- (Currently Amended)) A communication system as described in Claim 1 wherein said
  first client device is also for erasing said client software after said <u>data</u> synchronization is
  performed.
- 3. (Currently Amended) A communication system as described in Claim [[2]] 1 wherein said first client device comprises a display screen and wherein said first client device is also for displaying said portion of said information on said display screen.

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4. (Currently Amended) A communication system as described in Claim [[3]] 1 wherein said first client device is also for erasing said portion of said information on the first client device.

 (Currently Amended) A communication system as described in Claim 1 wherein said data synchronization comprises a query command.

6. (Currently Amended) A communication system as described in Claim 1 and further comprising a second client device for performing data processing functions, said second client device for establishing a communication link with said server, for receiving a second copy of said client software from said server in response to said communication link being established between said second client device and said server, and for using said second copy of said client software to perform a second data synchronization with said server to obtain a second portion of said information, wherein:

as a result of performing the second data synchronization, the second portion of the information on the second client device and in the database of the server are up-to-date.

7. (Currently Amended) A communication system as described in Claim 6 wherein said second client device is also for erasing said second copy of said client software after said second data synchronization is performed with said second client device.

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- 8. (Currently Amended) A communication system as described in Claim [[7]] 6 wherein said second client device comprises a display screen and wherein said second client device is also for displaying said second portion of said information on said display screen.
- 9. (Original) A communication system as described in Claim 1 wherein said first client device is a portable computer system and wherein said server is a web server.
- 10. (Original) A communication system as described in Claim I wherein said first client device is a wireless telephone device and wherein said server is a web server.

11-26. (Canceled)

## 27. (New) A method comprising:

maintaining, by a first device, a database and client software, the database comprising information and the client software comprising instructions for performing a data synchronization compliant with the first device;

establishing a communication link between a second device and the first device;
receiving a copy of the client software at the second device from
the first device in response to the communication link being established; and
using the copy of the client software at the second device to perform the data

synchronization with the first device to obtain a portion of the information, wherein:

as a result of performing the data synchronization, the portion of the information on the second device and in the database of the first device are up-to-date.

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- 28. (New) The method of claim 27, further comprising:
  deleting the copy of the client software after performing the data synchronization.
- 29. (New) The method of claim 27, further comprising:displaying the portion of the information on a display screen of the second device.
- 30. (New) The method of claim 27, wherein using the copy of the client software at the second device to perform the data synchronization with the first device to obtain a portion of the information further comprises:

executing a query command to obtain a copy of a document.

31. (New) The method of claim 27, further comprising:
establishing a communication link between a third device and the first device;
receiving a second copy of the client software at the third device to perform a second
data synchronization with the first device;

using the second copy of the client software at the third device to perform the second data synchronization with the first device to obtain a second portion of the information, wherein:

as a result of performing the second data synchronization, the second portion of the information on the third device and in the database of the first device are up-to-date.

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- 32. (New) The method of claim 31, further comprising:
- deleting the second copy of the client software after performing the second data synchronization.
- 33. (New) The method of claim 27, wherein the first device is a server device and the second device is a portable processing device.
- 34. (New) A medium having recorded thereon a plurality of instructions for at least one processor, the medium comprising:

instructions for establishing a communication link with a device;

instructions for downloading a copy of client software from a database to the device in response to the communication link being established, the copy of the client software including instructions for performing a data synchronization;

instructions for responding to communications from the device when the device is executing the instructions to perform the data synchronization to obtain a portion of information from the database, wherein:

as a result of executing the data synchronization, the portion of the information on the device and in the database are up-to-date.

35. (New) The medium of claim 34, further comprising:

instructions for deleting the copy of the client software after performing the data synchronization.

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- 36. (New) The medium of claim 34, further comprising:displaying the portion of the information on a display screen of the device.
- 37. (New) The medium of claim 34, wherein the instructions for executing a data synchronization further comprises:

a query command to obtain a copy of a document.

38. (New) The medium of claim 34, further comprising:

instructions for establishing a communication link with a second device;

instructions for downloading a second copy of the client software to the second device in response to the communication link being established with the second device, the second copy of the client software including instructions for performing a data synchronization;

instructions for responding to communications from the second device when the second device is executing the instructions to perform a second data synchronization to obtain a second portion of information from the database, wherein:

as a result of executing the second data synchronization, the second portion of the information on the second device and in the database are up-to-date.

39. (New) The medium of claim 38, further comprising:

instructions for deleting the second copy of the client software after performing the second data synchronization to obtain the second portion of the information from the database.

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40. (New) The medium of claim 34, wherein the first device is a server device and the second device is a portable processing device.